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NOTARY PUBLIC.

CITY ITEMS.

THE last week and the curtain drops on the most wonderful play of modern times at Crawford's. The presentation of the Bavarian Passion Play takes place on the Fifth floor at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 4 p. m. It will be the regret of your life if you do not see it!

NERVOUS pecule should use the genuine Dr. Siegert's Angustura Bitters.

BROUGHT HOME WITH HIS MIND CLOUDED.

Richard S. Morley, Who Disap-· peared on March 17, Unable to Make Explanation.

IN LOUISVILLE, KY.

Brother Believes That He Walked All the Way, Suffering From the Effects of Blow on the Head.

Richard Sherman Morley, who mysteriously disappeared Sunday night, March 17, following a call on his flancee, was brought back to his home in St. Louis Sunday morning by his brother and partner in the contracting business from Louisville, Ky., where he was found Saturday, as told in Sunday's Republic. The young contractor has lost control of his mental faculties and it is the belief of his brother that he walked the entire distance to Louisville.

When Morley left the home of Miss Abble Carroll, No. 4162 Connecticut avenue, he wore a new overcoat, possessed a fine watch and chain, gold shirt buttons, a ring and several dollars in cash. When a Louis-ville policeman took him from a telegraph office to the police station he had none of these articles. Where they are he is un-able to explain. His clothing was new and spotless when he left Miss Carroll. His shoes were not the least worn and were highly polished. When his brother found him at the station in Louisville Saturday the clothing was unclean, ragged and worn. The soles were nearly gone from his shoes. His hair was unkempt and his beard had allowed to grow.

Although he comes back to her with un-balanced mind, Miss Carroll said that she felt relieved of a terrible load on her own mind, and she believes that it will be only a question of a short time, under the expert medical care that her affianced is to have, that he will have recovered.

Miss Carroll was at the home of Charles Kiein, No. 2518 Lafayette avenue, Sunday of morning when Mr. Morley under the care of his brother, arrived. He looked at her with a blank sort of gaze and did not know ther. Neither did he recognize the others with whom he has come in daily contact for the last four years. He gazed about his room as if it was a strange place to him and not the one he has occupied since he came to St. Louis in 1837.

Charles Morley, his brother, is the only person whom the afflicted man seems to a recognize, and at times he even gazes at him wonderingly. He is as docile as a child and completely exhausted. That his mind is unbalanced there can be no doubt, his physician says. What caused it none are able to say. The absence of his jeweiry and money led his friends to believe that he might have been assaulted and robbed, a blow on the bead caveirs him each of the same of the might have been assaulted and robbed, a

and money led his friends to believe that he might have been assaulted and robbed, a blow on the head causing his mental con-dition. A close examination fails to show diffon. A close examination fails to show any evidence that he was struck.

Menday Morley is to be taken to a pri-vate sanitarium at Jacksonville, Ill., where he will be under the special care of Doctor Real, an expert on mental derangements and a close friend of the afflicted man.

LIBRARY BOARD SANGUINE.

Members Believe That Tax Increase Amendment Will Carry.

According to the reports received by the Public Library Board, voters in every section of St. Louis, irrespective of party, will unite in carrying the measure providing for an increase of the rate of taxation for library purposes from one-fifth of a mill to two-fifths of a mill, at Tuesday's election. Candidates of all the parties have spoken in ravor of the measure, and the various political organizations of the city have indorsed it.

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The board believes that it will be car-ried by an overwhelming majority. All the members are anxious to have this the case,

members are anxious to have this the case, as in informing Andrew Carnegie of the result of the election they desire to show that all the people of St. Louis appreciate his concross aft to the library, and are willing to do all in their power to avail themselves of it. In the event of the measure being carried, Mr. Carnegie's \$1,000,000 will be assured to the city.

The defeat of the measure would mean practically a rejection of Mr. Carnegie's offer, as there is no other way in which a maintenance fund of \$150,000 per annum could be assured the library, and one of the conditions of the offer is that that income be assured. In the event of its passing, where will be taken immediately after the election to provide a site and commence the building of the new library.

PRINCIPAL MARRIES TEACHER.

Professor Pyle and Miss Bessie Irish Wed in St. Louis.

Professor W. H. Pyle and Miss Bersie Irish of Carlyle, Ill., were married Saturday in the office of Justice Robert Walker. Professor Pyle is the principal of the public schools of Carlyle and the bride is the daughter of N. W. Irish, a retired railroad contractor. She is employed as a teacher in the fourth prade of the school.

According to dispatches from Carlyle, Professor Pyle and Miss Irish left there on an early morning train Saturday for St. Louis. Their marriage was a complete surgiste to their friends and was not made public until their arrival home Sunday morning. The bride is said to be one of the pretitest and most popular young women of Carlyle.

SEEKING WILLIAM HUGHES—Captain Creecy of the Seventh District Police has been requested to locate William Hughes, it years old, who is missing from his home. He was employed at the Liggett & Myers tobarco factory on Folsom avenue, near Tower Grove avenue, until Friday, when he was discharged. He did not return home after his dismissal. His parents fear that he may have left the city. When he went it work he wore a blue serge coat and vest and dark trousers of a striped material.

INVESTIGATION TO BE VIGOROUSLY PUSHED

Circuit Attorney Folk Will Try to Ascertain Who Revealed Grand Jury Secrets.

JURORS TO BE RECONVENED.

Ten Are Republicans, but They Deny Having Given Information to Organ of That Party.

Circuit Attorney Folk has decided to push the investigation of the report that one of the members of the Grand Jury had divulged secrets of the body for the benefit of a morning newspaper, which were published Saturday. He will request Cyrus F. Blanke, foreman of the Grand Jury, to reconvene the members for the purpose of making further inquiry, and should the identity of the person who gave the information be made known, his punishment for committing a misdemeanor will probably

Mr. Folk and the grand jurors express indignation that such a reflection should be placed upon them, the latter demonstrating their disapproval through the resolution adopted Saturday. Individually the grand jurors are men of high standing in St. Louis. That they should be suspected of violating the oath they took when sworn in by Judge Wood as grand jurors, this oath expressly providing against the giving away of any of the secrets of the Grand Jury room, or its proceedings, they deem an insinuation which they will not tolerate.

Ten Are Republicans.

The Grand Jury is composed of ten Republicans and two Democrats, and in this connection, it seems more than a coinciconnection, it seems more than a coinci-dence that the Globe-Democrat the Repub-lican organ of St. Louis, should be the pa-per to publish the secrets of the Grand Jury room. Whose names appeared on the list of those indicted was known only to the grand jurors, the court and the Clerk of the Court. Some of the indictments were certified to the Court of Criminal Correc-tion. Warranis had not been issued, and the Sheriff, therefore, was not in possession of the information as to who had been indicted.

indicted.

It has been customary in the criminal courts for the Grand Jury to make its report to the judge of the court under whose jurisdiction and instructions the body worked, and for the court in turn to hand the indictments over to the clerk. Such indictments as are against persons known to be in custody, are then given to the press, and individuals who ask for information. The others, however, are locked up in the clerk's desk, and carefully guarded until warrants can be issued and the persons indicted brought in by the Sheriff, or his deputies.

Alleged Interviews With Juror.

The Globe-Democrat Saturday morning not only published the names of thirty-two persons indicted, but gave an interview purporting to come from one of the members of the Grand Jury. Comments of a nature in strict violation of the oath of the grand juror, thus quoted, were made. This caused the indignation resulting in the scathing resolution adopted and signed by the jurors, which The Republic again produces:

St. Louis, Mo., March 30, 1901.—We, the members of the February Grand Jury, condemn the article which appeared in a morning paper, giving the names of persons alleged to have been indicted by this Grand Jury and purporting to have been an interview with a member of said Grand Jury.

We especially refute and emphatically contradict the statement contained in said article that there was any suspicion whatever on the part of said Grand Jury or any member thereof that any excitived inclusives with a member of the part of said Grand Jury or any member thereof that any excitived inclusives. Alleged Interviews With Juror.

there was any suspicion whatever on the part of said Grand Jury or any member thereof that any political indusence whatever actuated he Circuit Attorney or anyone in his office in the discharge of their duties, and we state that our experience with the Circuit Attorney's office convinces us that polities does not enter there and that it is above even the suspicon of such. (Skinsed)

C. F. Blanke.

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As has been stated, the political complexion of the body was ten Republicans and two Democrats Cyrus F. Blanke, foreman, is one of the vice presidents of the Merchants' League Club, the Republican machine organization of St. Louis, and was talked of as a possible Republican candidate for Mayor.

Benjamin Westhus, another member of the jury, is a candidate for the city Council, and was nominated after he became a member of the Grand Jury.

WINSOME BRIDE DISAPPEARED.

Untoward Result of a December-May Wedding in Virginia. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Richmond, Va., March 31.-James Sellixon, hale and hearty but hoary headed man of eighty-two, and Lou Wilson, a plump and pretty lass, left their homes in Halifax County, Va., two days ago and went to County, Va., two days ago and went to Henderson, N. C., where they were made one. They were accompanied by Glies Ford and Henry Wise, two young neighbors, who were aiding them in their arrangements. While enroute from Henderson to Springhope, where the couple intended to locate, a storm came up and the wedded pair decided to stop at a neighboring house, while Ford and Wise went to Springhope. One of the young men returned with the bugsy the next morning and took away the winsome bride, telling her somewhat dilapidated better half that a vehicle would be along shortly for him.

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The bridegroom grew uneasy, not only on account of his bride, but because of the fact that his trunk, which had gone on before, contained \$1.000 in currency. He sent a telephone message to Springhope, causing the arrest of Ford and Wise. He then hastened to the place and found both wife and money safe. The young men were both set free. Mr. and Mrs. Sellixon then left town in a buggy, but the following morning the young bride returned alone, having left her aged partner some eighteen miles out in the country. Since then the young lady has disappeared and it is not known where she

NOT "BAD JACK" WILLIAMS.

Similarity of Names Embarrasses House Candidate.

John B. Williams, Democratic candidate for the House of Delegates in the Fourteenth Ward, has been confused with John B. Williams, the former city detective, known as "Bad Jack."

A publication in a local newspaper Sunday made the same mistake, causing no little embarrassment to the Democratic candidate and his friends. The statement also resulted in the circulation of a report that August Gisler, the Republican candidate for the House in the same ward, was responsible for the inaccuracy. Mr. Gisler called at The Republic office Sunday to deny that he was in any way responsible for the confounding of the two man. He took accasion to say that his opponent is a gentleman of standing and a personal triend. He is general yard-master for the Terminal Rallroad Association and lives with his wife and family at No. 537 South Twenty-third street. Mr. Gisler states that the race for the House is made on the party merits of the candidates and is entirely free from personalities.

CANTATA AT CATHEDRAL—Christ Church Cathedral choir will give the Pas-sion cantata, "The Seven Last Words of Our Savior," by Mercadante, next Wednes-day evening at 8 o'clock. This is the sev-enty-first choral evensong at the Cathe-dral.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

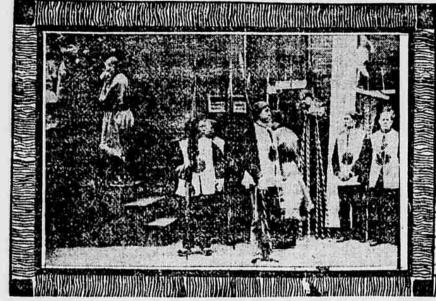
Mount Sterling, Ill., March 2L-W. B. Rigg of Mount Sterling held his sale of shorthorn cattle Thursday. Colonel F. M. Wood of Lincoln, Neb., was auctioneer.

The principal sales were:

Cows and Helfers-Caroline of Spring

ORIENTAL POMP AT BURIAL OF KING OF CHINATOWN.

Gam Lee's Funeral Cortege Headed by a Brass Band, While the Procession of Gorgeously Dressed Mourners Is More Than Three Blocks Long.



Banner bearers of the Chinese Freemasons of St. Louis.

spear, and whole lot China boy been go,

Is we been gone see Mr. Harry Hawes

Chief Kiely, Captain Reynolds, and so

many policeman he come for take care

Gam Lee funeral, is was everything do

nice with good honor for Gam Lee and St.

Because, is was Gam Lee be uncle for

me. He all time good man. No talk'm lie. No, sir, not wan time. So-when he die,

all China boy for St. Louis say "Must have

worth for Union Musician Band-because, must have that,

I tell you why. In China all boy, ev'ry wan, must belong for some kind union. So,

we think more better for buy union music.

Well, finally, when we start, was Andrew Foo go first on white horse for show way.

He look fine, ride good, too. Then is come planty cariages—but is hearsee come first,

So we been start. Well, is all China boy

been walk to Twanty-first street for show

respect. Then, because, maybe he been lit-

tle bit tired, he no likee walk more far

So is all carriagee stop for that street to

So is all carriagee stop for that street to let all boy get in. Nah!

Just then is been start that funeral proper. Oh, my! Then all man for drive carriagee just lick 'em up quick, likee that.

I never know before is was St. Louis be such big city. Drive, drive, drive so far, too far. But no makee diffence. Because, we been go through rich part of city and allee rich people been come out door for stand on front porch and look for us. Oh! we know they think they never see funeral before like that one for Gam Lee. I been pretty sure for that, because I know, nah! Well, is I been ride for carriagee, too. And is I been pass by wan house for two good friend for me, two brother, name be Sanders, just now gettee rich man, so is I been proud for tip my hat for them. Any poor man likee do that.

Well, bimeby is we come cemetery. Oh!

Well, bimeby is we come cemetery. Oh! too muchee crowd. Is was been stretch rope all around, but too many people come, been break down and trample for grave. So, is everybody been try for keep that crowd back, but can't do that.

Only wan man, be name Mr. Corse, he be policeman for walk Hop alley beat, he do everything good. He be gentleman—sure. Well, pretty soon we let Gam Lee down

stop each carriage. What for he stop?

foot pretty bad, so is we

foot pretty bad, so is we must been stop for Seven-Mile House for let that driver look for that foot.

So we get out and look for that horse foot, too. Oh, my! So we take little bit drink and come on down to Grand avenue and Olive street and get out.

out.

Because, that driver likee take that horse what cut foot right back for stable. So we must been take that Olive street car downtown. Tha's all.

Well, we catch 'em thirty-eight dollar

big funeral."

Never in the history of Chinatown has a | wan hearsee, wan wagon for bring back funeral service been marked with the pomp and splendor which attended the burial of Gam Lee in Hop Alley Sunday afternoon. The funeral procession was formed at 1 o'clock at the entrance to the alley between Market and Walnut streets in Eighth street. The procession was led by Louis, too, Nah!

Andrew Foo, a Christian Chinaman, who was mounted on a snow-white charger, Behind him marched the A. F. M. band, then followed the funeral cortege, members of the lodge of Chinese Masons, mourners, friends and a throng of morbidly curious individuals, for the most part negroes, who laughed, jeered and shouted in the wake of the unique procession, which was more than three blocks long. All along the route from the entrance to

Hop Alley to the Wesleyan Cemetery on the Olive street road, thousands of St. Louisans expressed interest in the black, white and yellow gowns of the Chinese guard of honor and the red turbans and similar garbs of the Masonic fraternity. The carriages were decorated with Chinese flags and the four members of a Chi-nese funeral band rode in carriages and discoursed weird music, which mingled dis-cordantly with the dirges of the A. F. M. band. More than 100 costumed Chinamen paid tribute to their dead leader by following the body to the cemetery, where the Masonic rites were said and the body lowered to the grave.

Long before noon, the hour appointed for

he funeral, more than 2,000 whites, negroes and Chinamen crowded into Hop Alley, listened to the weird strains of the Chinese funeral band and visited the street stands of Chinamen, who vended dressed turkeys, chickens, ducks and othed edibles. While the funeral services were in progress, the crowd was augmented to several thousand laughing, shouting, curious men, women and children, and chattering Chinamen viewed the formation of the procession from viewed the formation of the procession from the windows of their restaurants and chop houses. Stret cars were blocked for more than thirty minutee. Eighth street, from Market stret to Walnut street, and the in-tersecting alley were packed with people. When the procession started it was neces-

When the procession started it was necessary for a squad of police to compel the crowd to disperse in order to permit the thirty carriages in waiting to fail into line. All of the honorary pallbarers were intimate friends of Gam.

Lulu Lee, his widow, did not ride in the carriage immediately following the hearse, as, according to the Chinese custom, the first carriage had as occupants only the immediate male members of the dead King. Chinese Masons carried flags and Chinese designs emblematic of the fraternity. Joss was burned freely. The national color, yellow, predominated in the carriage decorations, although the red, white and blue was in evidence.

The services at the grave in the Wesleyan Cemetery, on the Olive street road, in St. Louis County, were similar to those in Hop alley. A Chinese orchestra of ten pieces played an orchestral selection, which was followed by a prayer led by Leo Mun Sing, a teacher from Rock Springs, Wyo. Orations in English and Chinese were delivered, extelling the viftues of the dead.

Lee Gon, Gam's brother, and Mow Lin, a cousin, wept when the coffin containing the body of the dead King was lowered into the grave.

CHEUNG LOW'S REPORT OF GAM LEE'S FUNERAL.

Well, is was Gam Lee funeral A No. 1 for St. Louis. Because, is was be twinty-five carriagee,

SURGERY BY ACCIDENT.

Dislocated Shoulder Set While Sufferer Hunted a Doctor. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Mexico, Mo., March 31.-Constable Charles Howison of Prairie Township, Callaway County, recently had the unique experience of having a dislocated shoulder set by an accidental fall. Howlson, who lives near the Audrain County line, a few miles southeast of Mexico, was in the loft of his stable throwing down hay for his horses, when he fell through an open trapdoor and dislocated his shoulder.

Not having any one to send for a doctor, the Constable hitched up a team to a light buggy and started to drive to Boydvillo after a physician. While en route the light buggy was turned over in a ditch and Howlson fell on his shoulder in such a way that the misplaced bones came properly together and the officer returned to his home without the need of medical attention. of having a dislocated shoulder set by an

ROBBER RETURNED CAR FARE

George Case the Victim of a Considerate Footpad.

George Case of No. 2718 Madison street encountered a considerate highwayman early Sunday morning.

About 2:30 o'clock, when he turned the corner of Jefferson avenue and Benton street, he faced the muzzle of a 44-callber revolver.

"Throw up your hands!" said the man behind the gun.

Case said he lost no time in obeying the command. The highwayman went through his pockets, taking out \$5.59. On finding he had nothing more, he returned 50 cents, telling him he would need car fare.

When the highwaymen departed, Case walked south and met Policeman Hines, to whom he reported the robbery.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY CHARGED

Two Men Arrested After Lively Chase.

John Durney and David Smith were arrested early Sunday morning, after a livity chase, by Policemen Quigley and shea of the Central District, on a charge of holding up Casper Vollmer of Klondyke, Mo.
Vollmer was waking south in Seventeenth street, between Market and Chestnut streets, when he was halted by two men, who held him up and took his watch and is in money. Vollmer uttered a cry, which attracted the attention of the officers, who started in tursuit of the two men. The cflicers arrested Durney and Smith at Fourteenth and Market streets. A watch, which Vollmer identified, was found in Durney's possession. Vollmer, who was under the influence of liquor, was locked up, to be released when sober. Dunney is 23 years old and Smith is 17 years old.

Creek, to Robert Falon, Osceola, Ill., \$405; Lavender of Hill Farm, 13th, to W. A. Hale, Anamosa, Ia., \$515; Faith, to Albert J. Rid-ins, Abingdon, Ill., \$410 Charity, to Ran-dolph Bros, & Brown, Indianola, Ia., \$525; Lady Gloster IV, to J. A. McCorkle, Be-linda, Ia., \$575; Butterfly of Oakwood, to George Allen, Allerton, Ill., \$375. Bulls—Golden Prince IV, 130,543, to C. T. Rice, Indianola, Ill., \$625. Spartan Cup-bearer, 122,091, to W. H, Neece, Macomb, Ill., \$430.

KILLED BY A TRAP GUN.

John Stinnett, While Attempting to Enter a Store, Meets Death.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Rolla, Mo., March 31.—Friday night a man who gave his name as John Stinnett, while attempting to enter the store of T. M. Brewster at Macedonia, in this county, was shot and killed by a gun that had been fixed to kill possible intruders.

The whole thing worked as was planned. Stinnett was shot in the side, just below his heart. He lived for four hours. Medical aid was summoned, but he was dead before it reached him. He is a stranger in these parts. He only gave his name and stated that he was trying to get into a warmer place.

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BROADWAY, CORNER ST.

COUNTY OFFICIALS SORELY PUZZLED.

Vainly Sought to Find Punishment for Men Found in Sealed Box Car.

How to punish legally three men for stealng a ride in a sealed box car is a problem which the officials of Kirkwood tried in vain to solve Saturday. After searching the statutes for a law and finding no charge which they could place against the prisoners, the men were released at the expiration of their twenty hours, as they had stolen none of the freight, had entered the car without breaking the seal, and could prove that they were not vagrants. Friday evening Town Marshal Secrist was nspecting the cars in the Missouri Pacific yards. Peering through the crack in the door of a freight car he saw a pair of shoes. Then he heard some one snoring. On breaking open the door the Marshal arresaed three men, who gave the names of Lester Schilling, Tom Hart and Robert Morris, all hailing from East St. Louis and bound for Kansas City. The men told a straight story -that they had been employed in the Swift Packing Company's works, but were going West to seek employment in the Cudahy

Henry Harper, freight and ticket agent of the Missouri Pacific at Kirkwood, at irst wished the men held for breaking barrels. Well, pretty soon we let Gam Lee down in ground and all China boy throw badge and ribbon regalla in fire what be burn at foot of he grave.

Mrs. Lee, she been there, too. And, when was first plece carth strike for Gam's coffin, she be cry little bit. Well, some boy say maybe she got bad cold, but most boy believe she be sorry for Gam die.

Well, then, we get in carriage for come back South Eighth street, in city. But is be Fong Bak stand for cemetery gate and stop each carriage. the seal on the car, which is a peniten-tiary offense. But the men had got in by prying open the door itself at the bottom until it swung from the top as on hinges, seal in getting the men out.

the town officials said that they would charge the prisoners with vagrancy. With that in view the men submitted to be taken to the town jall, where they laughed at their captors and produced more money than there was in the safe in the office. They could not be charged with having no

what for he stop?

I tell'm you.

Is be custom, when any China boy go funeral, he get little plece sugar and little plece money for do that. Tha's why Fong Bak stand for cemetery gate and give to each China boy that sugar. He been give visible means of support Finally it was decided to hold the men on suspicion of larceny until Prosecuting Attorney John R. Warfield could find a statute applicable. But on searching the car it developed that not a box had been opened, or even turned over. The prisoners lay in jail Friday night and Saturday morning, and then the car having reached its destination at Jefferson City, the conents were checked up against the bill of ading and found to be all right. In defaul t of other charges the men were released at the expiration of the legal twenty hours, and they left town on a stret car, stying they would go west to Valley Park and repeat the trick.

> Wedding Rings (Solid Gold). Finest workmanship, \$3.00 to \$20.00. Mermod & Jaccard's, Broadway and Locust. Saengerfest Will Pay Its Debts.

Cincinnati, March 31.—It was announced Saturday night by the committee of the Young Men's Business Club, which took charge of the public subscription to pay

the deficit in the Saengerfest fund of 1899, that the entire indebtedness will be paid before noon on Monday next.

SHORT TALKS WITH **GUESTS AT THE HOTELS.**

"There are odd trades in the world, but none perhaps with which you come in con tact nearly every day more so than that of the stave business," said a prominent wholesale barrel-stave manufacturer of Southeast Missourl who is at the Southern Hotel.

"The stave business consists in preparing thin strips of wood of a similar size, and these strips are quoted all over the country in the market reports. The stave mar-ket fluctuates according to the demand and supply, as the cereal market. There are nundreds of men in South Missouri engaged in the stave factories, and it has many hazardous features. In the rafting of the logs and sawing them there is a life risk that is appailing. Notwithstanding this, many men drift into the stave busi-

ness and stick to it through years. "The only competitor the stave manufacturer has in the way of a trust is the Standard Oil Company, which maintains a plant of its own in New York. They make their own barrels, and occasionally make barrels for the sugar people, but outside of that there is no regularly organized trust, except in the grading of staves, from which a standard of value is obtained. The trust makes what we call tight barrels. Most of the barrel material manufactured in Missouri is used in building slack barrels. These barrels are used for Portland cement, lime, apples and things of like nature that no leakage prevails, as in liquids. Thousands of barrels are shipped out of the State, and the home consumption is something enormous. Missouri produces lime in many sections of the State, and the apple product uses thousands of

time, and barrel users must look to some thing else to supply the demand. I don't look for it to be exhausted in my time, but thirty years more will see the timber used up. What will we do then? Give it up. That is something for the future generation to wrestle with. I expect to go shead making staves as long as the supply of timber

holds out." "People who have not traveled through Texas lately will be surprised to find in various portions of the State lands now flowing with milk and honey which were formerly desert wastes," said J. W. Taylor of Texas recently, who was at the Laciede

"Several years ago there were tracts of land which were so arid that they were avoided by man and beast. Slightly better than the famous American desert in Arizona, in fact. What was to become of this land was a question. Civilization set in, as it is wont to do, and things began to change. At least the scenery about the country did. People planted trees and they grew year by year, until where formerly there was nothing but high grass, there were regular forests. The hand of man was in evidence.

"As a result these arid tracts are rapidly disappearing. The trees did it. Some per ple profess to believe that Providence fol owed the white man and brought rain to these deserts. What is the result? Fine farms now take the places of these dry spots in Texas, and the little red school-

house is spreading intelligence over the

country. The land has quadrupled in value and irrigation is not necessary. Thousands of dollars' worth of property has been re-claimed in this manner, and if there is any more of the barren Texas land it will all come under cultivation in a few years more."

VISITORS AT ST. LOUIS HOTELS.

Tim Hurst of Ashland, Penn., the well-known baseball umpire, is at the Lindell.

—James J. Jeffries of New York, the heavy-weight champion, is at the Planters.

—Miss Adelaide Norwood, the opera prima donna, returned from New York Sunday and is registered at the Planters.

-Frank Costello of Maysville, Ky., is at -F. H. Lake of Fergus Falls, Minn., is at the Southern. —Sheriff H. Turner of Butler County.

Mrs. Turner, Thomas J. Dempsy, Miss M.
Burnham and W. Kellar Mack of Poplar
Bluff, Mo., composed a party registered at
the Laclede Sunday.

-L. D. Rawson of Kansas City is at the Laclede. -S. P. Owings of Memphis is at the L

-S. D. Lane of Cairo, Ill., is at the La--Colonel J. D. Hopkins of New York, the theatrical manager, is at the Planters.

-W. E. Petter and E. M. Hamlin of Boston are at the Lindell.

-C. S. Smithers of Chicago is at the Lindell.

-Colonel De Bargh of London, England, is at the Planters. -W. C. LaTourette of Cedar Rapids, Is., is at the Planters. -John R. Wilson and E. R. Hall of Chi--M. Spiegel of New York is a guest & the Southern.

—V. C. Thompson of Little Rock is Planters. -S. W. Atkinson of Clinto the Planters. -D. F. Harrington of New York is at the St. Nicholas. -J. Alder of Parsons, Kas., is at t -E. H. Brackett of Chicago is at the St.

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